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# UPDATE ON TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF SALESFORCE TRANSIT CENTER

### **Background:**

The Salesforce Transit Center is temporarily closed. In September 2018, workers discovered two fissures in steel beams on the bus deck above Fremont Street. After several inspections and out of an abundance of caution, the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) temporarily closed the Transit Center.

This is a localized issue within the transit center. The TJPA's contractor installed a multi-level shoring system at Fremont and First streets as an independent review and monitoring continue. No additional fissures have been found.

The TJPA is working swiftly to determine a cause and reopen the facility, but must balance that with the responsibility of fully cooperating with the independent review by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

## **Update:**

- The MTC Peer Review Panel presented their <u>first assessment</u> to the TJPA Board of Directors as to the cause of the fractured beams.
- The Engineer of Record, Thornton Tomasetti, has completed their <u>preliminary</u> <u>design</u> to repair the Fremont street girders and presented it to the TJPA Board of Directors. Along with providing information regarding the repair design, Thornton Tomasetti also reported that they have performed an analysis of the adjacent beams and confirmed there was no additional damage.
- Repair designs were submitted to the MTC Peer Review Panel and the TJPA Board of Directors in December 2018.
- The MTC Peer Review Panel is developing recommendations for additional inspections in the transit center to be conducted before reopening.
- Repair Design will be finalized and approved by the MTC Peer Review Panel in January 2019

• A construction schedule to repair the girders will be finalized in January 2019.

# **Next Steps**

- MTC Peer Review accepts findings report and approves recommended permanent repair
- Repair/retrofit the Transit Center and Perform Structural Evaluations
- Complete any additional inspections proposed by peer reviewers
- Reopen the Transit Center and Park to the public
- Resume Bus Operations

### Other Resources:

- Press Releases click here.
- Reviews, design reports, contracts, inspections <u>click here</u>.

Transit agencies continue to provide bus service out of the Temporary Transbay Terminal at Howard and Main streets. Commuters are encouraged to call 511 or go to 511.org for up-to-date transit information, or to contact their bus operator directly. We apologize for the impacts to our transit riders and the public for this temporary closure. It is an inconvenience and we are committed to reopening the transit center as soon as safely possible.

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